

DETAILS OF PROCEEDINGS AT YESTERDAY'S CONVENTION

THE SECOND DAY OF THE GREAT CONVENTION WAS A FREE FOR ALL SHOW.

THE GREAT SURPRISE OF THE CONVENTION CAME AT THE LAST WHEN SWISHER GOT THERE.

WHEELING, W. Va., July 13.—The Republican State convention was opened this morning with music, prayer and a beer mallet, the latter having been brought into play by Chairman Elkins because of the intense enthusiasm that prompted the delegates to voice their sentiments for their favorites by continuous lusty cheers.

It was 11:40 before the long line of delegates and spectators that had been filing into the convention hall from an early hour had finally taken their seats and were called to order by Chairman Elkins. It was noticeable that there had been a thinning out process during the night of the various delegations as many of the enthusiasts who had gone down in defeat with the Teter flag were not disposed to forsake their beds for a convention in which they had lost much of their interest.

Dr. S. T. Westhafer made an eloquent but brief prayer in which he invoked the divine blessing upon the convention.

When the convention opened Hon. George A. Laughlin presented a motion in which he asked that the Hall delegation from Kanawha county be seated without a vote. This was amended by Judge Blizard, who also asked that Wood county be included. Elliott Northcott asked that Cabell county also be included. The motion was carried, but the delegates received no seats for the very good reason that there were no chairs vacant.

The action of the committee on rules and order of business was impugned by Elliott Northcott, who moved that the order be changed and that the office of Secretary of State be voted upon first. There were many cries of "Not now!" Hon. W. W. Wyte, of Mingo, replied for the committee, averring that it was the endeavor of the committee to have the convention take up the most important offices first.

George C. Sturgiss, whose chief ambition after the nomination of Dawson was the defeat of C. W. Swisher for secretary of State, and who was instrumental in changing the order of business, took the floor and proceeded to gore the delegates with a harangue in which he protested against any change, it being his endeavor to prevent it in order that he might encompass Swisher's downfall.

At the conclusion of the speech the question was put and a division was called. The roll of counties was called but before the result could be obtained it was seen the motion was beaten and it was withdrawn by Northcott.

At this juncture Chairman Elkins pounded hard with the beer mallet and informed the convention that all was now ready for nominations.

Barbour county gave way to Jefferson, and Hon. Tracy H. Jeffords, of Harper's Ferry, mounted the platform and in a most graceful and eloquent speech placed in nomination Hon. Arnold C. Scherr for auditor. Boone county gave place to Tyler, which was represented by R. L. Gregory, who placed in nomination J. S. Darst, of Jackson county, in a graceful speech.

Scherr's nomination was seconded by delegates from Braxton and Harrison counties, which evoked cheers. A delegate from Jackson created some levity in seconding the nomination of Darst by referring to the long-winded and historic speeches of the wind-jammers yesterday. He preferred to talk on questions that concerned the twentieth century for he was not interested in Roman history. Darst was also seconded by Mason county.

Monroe and Mineral both seconded the nomination of Scherr.

A vote was then taken on auditor, but before it had reached Jackson county it was evident Scherr would be nominated, and Darst, appearing upon the floor, withdrew from the contest and asked that the nomination of Scherr be made by acclamation.

State Treasurer.

When nominations for State Treasurer were called for the name of Hon. George C. Cole, of Lewis, was presented by R. Ad. Hall, of the Weston Independent, in one of the most spirited addresses of the day.

Boone county gave way to Pleasants, which presented the name of Newton Ogden by the youngest speaker of the day, Earl Martin.

Senator J. M. Hensley, in a witty speech, seconded T. T. McDougal's candidacy before the latter had been named. Summers county also seconded Ogden.

When Wayne county was called, Mr. Napier appeared upon the stage unheralded, took a glass of water in one hand, and waving, the other shouted, "I am here to name the next State treasurer." The audience tried to poke fun, but the speaker downed it all by a vigorous address, naming Thomas T. McDougal as State treasurer. In the course of his speech he told a truth when he said the press of the State should be recognized. He was followed by Hon. Taylor Vinson, who argued that it was good politics to give the nomination to the southern part of the State and backed up his remarks by showing that the other nominees were selected from the other sections of the commonwealth.

The first ballot resulted in no nomination.

On the second ballot the Hon. Newt. Ogden gained greatly and when the counties got through voting the figures stood: Ogden, 344-1-6; McDougal, 271-1-6; Cole, 178-2-3.

On the third ballot the Pleasants county man captured the plum and Col. Ogden was nominated with a mighty cheer.

The final ballot stood: Ogden, 519; McDougal, 256; Cole, 21.

While the vote was being taken, Cole's name was withdrawn.

At 1:45 the convention took a recess until 3 o'clock.

Attorney General.

Clark W. May, of Lincoln county, president of the State Senate, was this afternoon nominated for attorney general on the second ballot. The vote was as follows: May, 422½; Richards, 185½; Dice, 167; Freer, 9. While the vote was being taken Freer and Dice withdrew from the contest. Richards received the support of the northern end of the State, while May was given most of the southern votes.

The first ballot taken on the candidate for attorney general, resulted as follows:

Candidate.	Votes.
Clark May.....	288
Chas. W. Dice.....	208
H. C. Richards.....	162
R. H. Freer.....	137

The other nominations will be made without adjournment. The superintendent of schools is the next on the list.

Brilliant speeches were made seconding the nominations for Attorney General. The Hon. Romeo H. Freer was seconded by E. K. Ready, of Charleston. John Evans, of Lincoln county, seconded the nomination of Clark May, Dell Runnel, of Kanawha, spoke briefly and seconded Dice's nomination. Stillwaters, the eloquent colored orator from Kanawha county, also made a speech seconding Clark May, which was one of the most impassioned and oratorical of the convention.

Thomas C. Miller, of Fairmont, was re-nominated for Superintendent of Schools on the second ballot.

Gorby, of Roane; Trotter, of Upshur; Brilles, of Ohio and Anderson, of Brooke, were his opponents on the first ballot. Miller led and had nearly enough to nominate. On the second he was successful.

During the recess the delegates spent the time walking about the park, and in getting their lunch. Very few of them left for the city. The fight of the afternoon is going to be the nomination for Secretary of State, as was forecasted in this newspaper. R. L. Gregory, from Tyler county, is coming to the front in the Supreme Court race. He is popular in all parts of the State on account of the record he made in the legislature at the last session, and while his boom was sprung late, there is a good possibility of his winning.

Frank W. Nesbitt, Ohio county's candidate is also forging to the front in great shape. Almost the entire Ohio county delegation is working for him, and they are determined to win if possible.

The slate makers were busy at work during the recess in their attempts to beat Swisher for Secretary of State, but they failed to find any candidate with sufficient strength to carry out their plans. They at first decided upon M. A. Kendall, of Parkersburg, but when it was announced that he would not get a vote from his home county, they then entered their strength upon Geo. F. Evans, of Martinsburg. All this, however, was futile, for Swisher had the delegates well in hand and they refused to desert him.

Swisher By Acclamation.

One of the greatest ovations of the convention occurred over the nomination of Charles W. Swisher, of Marion county.

When Miller was named for Superintendent, the few anti-Swisher men thought they had Swisher beaten as he was from the same county. But they reckoned without their host.

George F. Evans, of Berkeley; Arch Love, of Grafton, and A. A. Kendall, of Parkersburg, were put in nomination against him.

The Swisher sentiment was so strong, however, and the enthusiasm for him so great that Evans, Kendall and Love were withdrawn and the nomination made by acclamation amid the biggest burst of applause seen in the convention.

The candidate was almost carried to the platform, where he made a rousing speech of acceptance, which caught the crowd.

Our own Tom O'Brien distinguished himself in a great speech seconding Swisher's nomination.

Convention Notes.

Wheeling News.]

Hon. Wm. M. O. Dawson, the gubernatorial nominee, was early in the convention hall this morning, receiving the congratulations of his friends and giving expressions of his gratitude for the honor conferred on him by the convention. All the Teter badges gave way to Dawson badges this morning, even those who seemed to be fighting Mr. Dawson most bitterly wearing his badges on the lapels of their coats this morning.

The big fight disposed of the candidates for the lesser offices busied themselves among the delegates in the convention hall and about the park grounds this morning. Before the convention assembled cards containing pictures and announcements of Newton Ogden's candidacy for State Treasurer were placed on every chair in the hall. Cards of other candidates were posted about the hall and the candidates themselves were busy among the delegates.

The committee on resolutions, which was unprepared to report when the convention reassembled after the afternoon recess yesterday, reassembled in the old park restaurant at 9:30 o'clock this morning and again argued on the question of a tax reform plank in the platform. W. P. Hubbard made an heroic stand for plans and unequivocal tax reform plank and combatted and refuted successfully every argument against such a plank made by the other members of the committee.

There was quite a contrast between the early scenes enacted in the convention hall to-day and those of yesterday. The delegates seemed to have exerted all their strength in the Dawson-Teter fight and to have none remaining to be used in the fights for the lesser offices. The Wood county delegation, so fiery and impetuous Tuesday, seemed to have its enthusiasm soured with ice water, but all over the hall, very unlike yesterday, there was an entire absence of pre-convention enthusiasm.

Public interest in the convention seemed to end with the selection of governor. The spectators were few in comparison with the opening day. Instead of the packed galleries of yesterday this morning only the two first rows of seats had occupants, but the crowd grew larger as the convention progressed.

Both Meister's and the Fairmont bands were in the galleries to-day to discourse lively music for the convention. The latter was particularly in evidence at any mention of Charley Swisher's name.

Bob Stallings, of Tucker county, known as one of the most ardent of Teter's supporters, fell into line with the rest of the delegates and a Dawson badge was conspicuous on his coat lapel.

"Down In Dixie" by the band just before the convention was called to order stirred up the first evidence of latent enthusiasm of the day.

LOSES

THREE QUARTERS OF A POUND A DAY DOES A MAN WHO IS FASTING.

WILTON, Maine, July 14.—To cure himself of an illness which has troubled him for several years, M. C. Heald says he has been fasting forty-three days. He began his fast June 2, he says, and has lived since on water. For the first few days he desired food, but since then except when the odor from cooking food reached him he has had no craving for it and thinks his physical health has much improved.

Mr. Heald is six feet tall and weighed 138 pounds when he began his fast. He now weighs 105 pounds and loses about three-quarters of a pound a day. He intends to fast until his desire for food returns.

If you don't want typhoid fever drink Francis Mineral Water. Fairmont Bottling Works. Both phones. x

The want ads. are "the little busy bees of publicity"—and they may be harnessed at your service.

Are These Possible Issues?

The telegram sent by authority of the Democratic National Convention to Judge Parker, in reply to his unexpected and very exciting dispatch on the gold standard, says: "The platform adopted by this convention is silent on the question of the monetary standard, because it is not regarded by us as a possible issue in this campaign, and only campaign issues were mentioned in the platform."

Without indulging in any speculation upon the sincerity of the explanation given for the absence of a gold plank from the platform, and forbearing to suggest that the omission was due rather to a desire to conciliate the Bryanites than to any other cause, let us look at the deliverances in the declaration of principles and policies, keeping in mind the assertion that "only campaign issues were mentioned in the platform."

Is the capital and labor plank an issue? Can any controversy be got up over the declaration that "we favor enactment and administration of laws giving labor and capital impartially their just rights? Capital and labor ought not to be enemies. Each is necessary to the other. Each has its rights, and the rights of labor are certainly no less 'vested,' no less 'sacred,' and no less 'inalienable' than the rights of capital?"

Who is going to take issue with the proposition that "the military should be used only to support and maintain the laws?" As well try to make an issue of geometrical axiom or any one of the Ten Commandments. Is the country going to get excited, or is any party or faction going to oppose the announcement that "we favor liberal appropriations for the care and improvement of the water-ways of the country?" Is there going to be a hot conflict over the demand for "an enlargement of the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission?" Is irrigation an issue? Is not President Roosevelt something of an irrigationist? And what party is to be credited with the passage of the Newlands act? Shall we witness a great uprising of the people in a hot party fight over the promise that "the Democracy, when intrusted with power, will construct the Panama Canal speedily, honestly and economically?"

When one recalls the fact that the Democracy has been in control of legislation for only two years since 1858, one cannot help hoping that canal construction will not wait for a recurrence of that situation. When did the "election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people" become a party issue? That proposition has been repeatedly passed unopposed by Republican Houses of Representatives. Republican State Legislatures have endorsed it as freely as Democratic legislatures. How is an issue to be made out of the announcement that "we favor the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine in its full integrity?"

Those are samples of the alleged issues in the Democratic platform. Several others, equally far removed from the possibility of exciting discussion, could be named. The same criticism is applicable to the Republican platform. Is there, then any prospect of exciting campaign?—Washington Post.

Why He Did Not Get On.

[Orison Swett Marden, in "Success."] He had low ideas. He did not dare to take chances. He had too many irons in the fire. He tried to give his relations a chance.

He was never a whole man at anything.

He thought a good business should run itself.

He was afraid to burn the bridge behind him.

He did not appreciate the value of appearances.

His rude manners drove customers from his store.

He loved his pipe and a story better than his work.

He could not concentrate all his powers on his task.

He did not know how to duplicate himself in others.

He let gruff, indifferent clerks drive away his business.

He trusted incompetent friends with responsible positions.

He would not change fairly good methods for better ones.

He did things over and over again because he lacked system.

He thought he knew all there was to know about his business.

He tried to economize by cutting down his advertising appropriation.

He was a good, honest man but did not do business in a business way.

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Store Changes Hands.

J. M. Arnett, of the Fifth ward, has purchased the store of McIntire Brothers on Locust avenue near Fifth street, and will run a first-class grocery store. Mr. Arnett kept a grocery at the same number—507 Locust avenue—for many years, in the old building which was burned about a year ago. Since selling out there he has been engaged in the same business in different parts of the city. He is a successful grocer and will be welcomed back to the Fifth ward. He will take charge of the store in about two weeks.

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